

# **Annual Reports**

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**OF THE TOWN OF**

**HARRISVILLE**

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

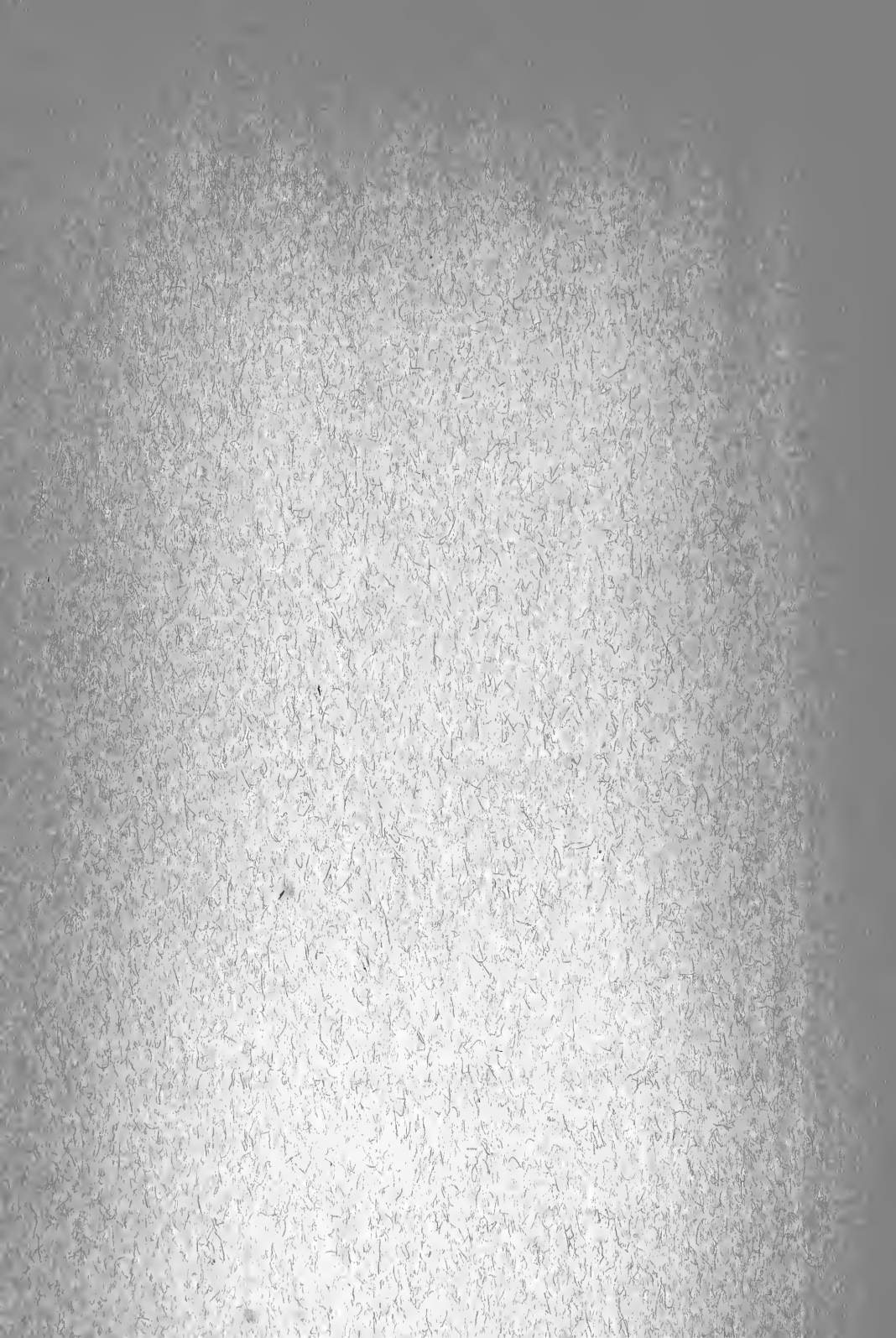
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# TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

RALPH B. BEMIS

Town Clerk

MARIE F. LAVIGNE

Town Treasurer

DOROTHY E. LUOMA

Selectmen

WILLIAM P. HOUSE

Term expires 1956

HAROLD W. POPE

Term expires 1957

J. EDWARD MATTILA

Term expires 1958

Tax Collector

RALPH B. BEMIS

Highway Agent

ARTHUR W. WIKMAN

Supervisors of Check Lists

GUY W. THAYER

ELAINE HOUSE

ESTELLE JAMES

Health Officer

WILLIAM F. BEMIS

Constable

FRANK M. BATES, JR.

Police

FRANK M. BATES, JR.

JAMES A. SIBLEY

STERLING E. CHAMBERLAIN

Cemetery Agent

ERNEST W. CHAMBERLAIN

Trustees of Trust Funds

JOHN N. CLARK	Term expires 1956
JOHN J. COLONY, JR.	Term expires 1957
GUY W. THAYER	Term expires 1958

Old Home Day Committee

ANDREW ELDER	LAWRENCE RATHBURN
MARGUERITE SUNDSTROM	JESSIE HOPE
MARY CLARK	VIRGINIA T. BATES

Election Officers

JOHN PRIEST	GEORGE WINN
EDGAR JAMES	BERNARD BEMIS

Fire Wards

JOHN J. COLONY, JR.	JUSTIN B. CHAMBERLAIN
J. EDWARD MATTILA	LEONDER J. ST. PETER
LEO P. DION	RALPH J. CLARK
JOSEPH H. LAVIGNE	

Fire Chief

LEONDER J. ST. PETER

Chief Forest Fire Warden

LEONDER J. ST. PETER

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens

LEO P. DION	CLIFTON E. RICHARDSON
RALPH J. CLARK	JOHN J. COLONY, JR.
RALPH B. BEMIS	JOHN T. MARNELL
FREDERICK SUNDSTROM	

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

HAROLD W. POPE	WILLIAM P. HOUSE
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Fence Viewers

HAROLD W. POPE	RALPH B. BEMIS
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Harrisville and Chesham Christmas Tree Committees

HARRISVILLE AND CHESHAM  
FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Harrisville Beach Committee

HAROLD W. POPE                      MRS. JOHN J. COLONY, JR.  
DR. GEORGE STEWART                      JOHN T. MARNELL  
ARTHUR WIKMAN

Chesham Beach Committee

FRANCIS PARKER                      ERNEST W. CHAMBERLAIN  
VIRGINIA T. BATES

Overseer of Poor

RUTH POPE

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

GUY W. THAYER	Term expires 1956
GEORGIA COLBURN	Term expires 1957
LOUISE B. BERGERON	Term expires 1958

State Auditors

ALAN R. MATTHEWS	HUGH J. CASSIDY
Auditor	Accountant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN WARRANT

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Harrisville in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Wells Memorial School in said Harrisville on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at three of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To determine and appoint the salaries of Town Officers and fix the compensation of any other agent of the town.
4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the \$100.00 received from George T. Beal Est., for the care of Persia Beal cemetery lot.
5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the \$200.00 received from George T. Beal Est., for the care of George T. Beal cemetery lot.
6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the \$200.00 received from Oren L. Farwell Est., for the care of Oren L. Farwell cemetery lot.
7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand, Five hundred, eighty dollars (\$5,580.00) to complete the highway department building, Two thousand, seven hundred, eighty dollars (\$2,780.00) to be raised in 1956 and borrow Two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2,800.00) to be paid in 1957.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the improvement of Chesham Beach.



9. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to use balance of funds (\$3,703.22) obtained from sale of the Harrisville Association land for the improvement of the Harrisville Town beach at Lake Nubanusit.

10. To see what action the town will take in regard to plowing driveways.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred dollars (\$400.00) to widen and improve the road from the Eastview Station to the Hancock Line.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) to improve the Bog Dam Pond road if William House will contribute up to One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) towards the cost.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) to be placed in a sinking fund for replacement of road equipment under provision of the Capital Reserve Act of 1943, Chap. 160 as amended.

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

J. EDWARD MATTILA  
WILLIAM P. HOUSE  
HAROLD W. POPE  
Selectmen of Harrisville

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

J. EDWARD MATTILA  
WILLIAM P. HOUSE  
HAROLD W. POPE  
Selectmen of Harrisville

## TOWN MEETING, MARCH 8, 1955

Moderator called the meeting to order at 9:20 a. m. by reading the Town Warrant, then the polls were open for voting by Australian ballot.

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Ballot Clerks: John Priest and George Winn.

Election officers: Edgar James and Bernard Bemis.

1. Police Officers: Frank M. Bates, Jr. — Qualified  
James A. Sibley — Qualified

2. Trustee of Trust Funds for three years: Guy W. Thayer.

3. Old Home Day Committee:

Andy Elder	Laurence Rathburn
Marguerite Sundstrom	Jessie Hope
Mary Clark	Virginia Bates

4. Fire Wards:

John J. Colony, Jr., J. Edward Mattila, Qualified  
Justin B. Chamberlain, Qualified  
Leonder J. St. Peter, Qualified, Leo Dion, Qualified  
Joseph H. Lavigne, Qualified

5. Surveyors of Wood and Lumber:

Harold W. Pope, Qualified  
William P. House, Qualified

6. Fence Viewers:

Harold W. Pope; Ralph B. Bemis, Qualified

7. Harrisville and Chesham Christmas Tree is taken care of by the Fire Department.

8. Harrisville Beach Committee:

Harold W. Pope; Mrs. John J. Colony, Jr.  
Dr. George Stewart; John T. Marnell  
Arthur Wikman

Chesham Beach Committee:

Francis Parker; Ernest W. Chamberlain  
Virginia T. Bates

9. Overseer of Poor:

Mrs. Ruth Pope, Qualified

10. Library Trustee for three years:

Louise B. Bergeron, Qualified

Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,700 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200 00
Election and Registration Expenses	75 00
Town Hall and other town building Exp.	150 00
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police Department	250 00
Fire Department	1,850 00
Insurance	1,100 00
Health:	
Health Dept, inc. hospitals	250 00
Vital Statistics	20 00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	150 00
Highways and Bridges:	
Town Maintenance—Summer	11,605 55
Winter	4,000 00
Street Lighting	1,650 00
General Exp. of Highway Dept.	2,100 00
Libraries	300 00
Public Welfare:	
Town Poor	600 00
Old Age Assistance	1,300 00
Memorial Day and Vet. Association	150 00
Recreation:	
Cemeteries	750 00
Unclassified:	
Damages and Legal Expenses	
Including Dog Damage	100 00
Advertising and Regional Ass'n	127 00
Interest:	
On Temporary Loans	500 00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	200 00
Payment on Principal of Debt:	
Long Term Notes	2,000 00
Governmental Divisions:	
County Taxes	4,530 65
School Taxes	39,175 00
Total Expenditures	\$75,833 20
Motion made and seconded to adopt budget as printed, adding \$100.00 to Officers' Salaries and \$150.00 to Fire Department. Making Total Budget \$76,083.20. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.	

Article 3. To determine and appoint the salaries of Town Officers and fix the compensation of any other agent of the town.

Motion was made and seconded, vote was in the affirmative, to add \$100.00 to chairman of the selectman's salary, to add

\$100.00 to Fire Chief's salary and to pay \$50.00 to the Asst. Fire Chief.

Article 4. To hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto:

The following reports were accepted:

Selectmen's Report on page 16.  
Town Clerk's Report on page 25.  
Tax Collector's Report on page 26.  
Treasurer's Report on page 33.  
Road Agent's Report on page 15.  
Old Home Day Com. Report on page 56.  
Fire Department's Report on page 57.  
Librarian's Report on page 58.  
Trustee of Trust Fund on page 52.  
Auditor's Report on page 54.

1. Mr. James reporting for the Town Hall Committee stated that old school house in Harrisville would need extensive repairs to make it usable for a Town Hall and said the committee advised against laying out any money on this building.
2. A suggestion was made to have a more detailed account of Highway Department receipts.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money on the credit of the town in anticipation of taxes.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$462.43 if the state will contribute \$3,082.87 for T. R. A. work.

Motion was made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum not exceeding \$7,206.50 for the purpose of making improvements to the Eastview Road No. 68—any balance to be spent on location recommended by the Selectmen and approved by the state. Such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 83, Laws of 1951 as amended by Chapter 31, Laws of 1953 and to authorize the selectmen to determine the date and place of payment of such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other steps as may be necessary to negotiate such bonds or notes as shall be to the best interests of the town. Selectmen stated any balance of T. R. A. appropriation left after surfacing the Eastview Road probably would be spent to improve Gibbs Hill.

Motion made and seconded to accept this. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for improvement of the Kennedy Hill Road. Motion made and seconded, to take money out of Highway Dept. to do this. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to improve the MacVeagh Road. Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,750.00, to construct a garage for highway equipment paying for the same by:

- a. Raising and appropriating the sum of \$2,750.00.
- b. Borrowing the sum of \$7,000.00 to be repaid in 3 annual installments beginning in 1956.

Motion made and seconded to raise \$5,000.00, by first borrowing \$2,500.00 and second by raising \$2,500.00. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for a street light on the corner of Canal Street. Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to be placed in a sinking fund for the replacement of road equipment under provision of the Capital Reserve Fund Act of 1943, Chap. 160 as amended.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to improve the Harrisville and Chesham beaches.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote the sum of one dollar to purchase from the Harrisville Association, Inc. a two (2) acre track of land situated on the northerly side of the Harrisville Pond so-called, which was conveyed to the Harrisville Association, Inc. by deed of John T. Marnell, dated June 28, 1937, recorded in Vol. 471, Page 507 of the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 15. To authorize the Selectmen of the Town of Harrisville to sell the two (2) acre tract of land situated on the northerly side of the Harrisville Pond so-called, which tract of land formerly belonged to John T. Marnell and which he conveyed to the Harrisville Association, Inc. by deed dated June 28, 1937, recorded in Vol. 471, Page 507 of the Cheshire County Registry of Deeds, and to use the proceeds from the said sale to relocate the Silver road so as to improve the safety conditions at the town beach.

Motion was made and seconded to accept this as written with the following amendment. The selectmen in selling this land work in conjunction with the public beach committee. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 16. To see if the town will adopt the Zoning Ordinance dated March 1, 1955, submitted by the Harrisville Zoning Commission and authorized by the voters of said town of Harrisville at the 1954 annual Town Meeting.

Motion made and seconded to adopt the Zoning Ordinance. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint an Inspector of Buildings who shall hold office for a term of one year and raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for his salary and expenses as authorized by section 17, Chapter 176 Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to adopt the Building Regulations proposed by the Zoning Commission and contained in their recommendations dated March 1, 1955 as authorized under Sections 18-21 inclusive, Chapter 176 Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to establish a Planning Board of five (or seven) members with duties as set forth in Sections 1-15, Chapter 53, Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, as amended, to make a study of the town's development and report the appropriate recommendations for the promotion and maintenance of the town's best development. The board members shall consist of one selectman and four (or six) other citizens appointed by the selectmen, as provided in Sections 1-15, Chapter 53, Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, as amended.

Motion made and seconded to accept as written. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to extend the road along the easterly shore of Silver Lake for a distance of about 900 feet from the cottage lots of Waldo Giovannangeli past the cottage lots now or formerly of Robert Delancy, Pat Day, Edgar G. Seaver, Ray Ellis, Mrs. Cooper Ellis and Robert Howard and raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to clear, grade and gravel the same, or take any action thereon (by petition).

Motion made and seconded to raise \$1,500.00 if the parties benefiting most by this road would raise \$500.00, but their share not to exceed one fourth of total cost of this proposed road. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before the house.

Motion made and seconded to authorize selectmen to sell school house in Harrisville, if they see fit. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Motion made and seconded to hold next year's Town Meeting at Well's Memorial School in Chesham. Vote in the negative.

Motion made and seconded to hold next year's Town Meeting at 3:00 p. m. Vote in the affirmative and so declared.

Voted to close Town Meeting at 4:00 p. m.

The following were elected to town offices:

Selectman for 3 years:

J. Edward Matilla, 100 votes, declared elected  
Raymond L. Goodyear, 35 votes  
Lawrence W. Rathburn, 55 votes

Town Clerk for one year:

Marie F. Lavigne, 172 votes, declared elected  
Helen Thayer, 5 votes  
Mary Gilman, 2 votes  
Harold Pope, 1 vote  
Mrs. Anna Trudelle, 1 vote  
Jacqueline Getty, 1 vote  
Waino Paronen, 1 vote

Town Treasurer for one year:

Dorothy E. Luoma, 179 votes, declared elected  
Jacqueline Getty, 3 votes  
Jacob Saari, 1 vote  
Virginia Bates, 2 votes  
Mary Clark, 1 vote  
Dora Thayer, 1 vote

Road Agent for one year:

Arthur Wikman, 80 votes, declared elected  
Sterling Chamberlain, 7 votes  
Ralph J. Clark, 59 votes  
Leo P. Dion, 51 votes

Cemetery Agent for one year:

Ernest W. Chamberlain, 124 votes, declared elected  
Gordon Getty, 53 votes  
Pete Record, 1 vote  
William Bemis, 1 vote

Constable for one year:

Frank Bates, Jr., 74 votes, declared elected  
Francis Parker, 54 votes  
Leo P. Dion, 29 votes  
Phillip Trudelle, 11 votes  
John Clark, 2 votes  
Ralph Bemis, 1 vote  
Harold Pope, 1 vote  
Edward Gregoire, 2 votes  
Mrs. Spaulding, 1 vote  
Justin Chamberlain, 1 vote  
John A. Luoma, 1 vote

Respectfully submitted

MARIE F. LAVIGNE

Town Clerk



## **SPECIAL MEETING**

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### **The State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Harrisville, in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Wells Memorial School in said Harrisville on Saturday, the 30th day of July 1955, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

To see if the town will rescind and set aside its adoption of Article 16, of the Town of Harrisville Warrant, dated February 14, 1955 and adopted by the Town of Harrisville at its Town Meeting held at Eagle Hall in said Harrisville on Tuesday, March 8, 1955, said article reading as follows:

Article 16. To see if the town will adopt the Zoning Ordinance dated March 1, 1955, submitted by the Harrisville Zoning Commission and authorized by the voters of said Town of Harrisville at the 1954 annual Town Meeting.

To see if the town will rescind and set aside its affirmative vote of Article 17, of the Town of Harrisville Warrant, dated February 14, 1955, and adopted by the Town of Harrisville at its Town Meeting held at Eagle Hall in said Harrisville on Tuesday, March 8, 1955, said Article reading as follows:

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint an Inspector of Buildings who shall hold office for a term of one year and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for his salary and expenses as authorized by Section 17, Chapter 176, Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942.

To see if the town will rescind and set aside its affirmative vote to adopt Article 18, of the Town of Harrisville Warrant, dated February 14, 1955, and adopted by the Town of Harrisville at its Town Meeting held at Eagle Hall in said Harrisville on Tuesday, March 8, 1955, said Article reading as follows:

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to adopt the Building Regulations proposed by the Zoning Commission and contained in their recommendations dated March 1, 1955, as authorized under Sections 18-21 inclusive, Chapter 176, Revised Laws of New Hampshire, 1942.

To see if the town will use the official checklist for the determination of all questions that may come up before said special meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of July, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

J. EDWARD MATTILA  
WILLIAM P. HOUSE  
HAROLD W. POPE

Selectmen of Harrisville

A True Copy of Warrant — Attest:

J. EDWARD MATTILA  
WILLIAM P. HOUSE  
HAROLD W. POPE

Selectmen of Harrisville

Moderator called the meeting to order by reading the Town Warrant at 1:25 p. m.

Article 4 was voted on first. Vote in the affirmative and so declared. The ballot voted on read as follows:

Article 1. Shall the town vote to rescind its adoption of Article 16, approved at the Harrisville Town Meeting on March 8, 1955 relating to the adoption of the Zoning Ordinance? Yes (30) No (27).

Article 2. Shall the town vote to rescind its adoption of Article 17, approved at the Harrisville Town Meeting on March 8, 1955, relating to the authorization of an appointment of an Inspector of Buildings? Yes (30) No (27).

Article 3. Shall the town vote to rescind its adoption of Article 18, approved at the Harrisville Town Meeting on March 8, 1955, relating to the adoption of the building regulations imposed by the Zoning Commission? Yes (28) No (29).

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE F. LAVIGNE

Town Clerk

## THEN and NOW

Thinking back over the year 1955, it was a good year for business. Residents enjoyed having our summer visitors with us and at the churches. We hope they liked our food sales and church suppers, auctions, and Old Home Day. The town started construction of the town barn near the old Harrisville Railroad Station. The Eastview Road was improved and black-topped. The road by the Harrisville beach was changed to improve the beach and to make it more safe.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Roland L. Alexander was appointed 4th class Postmaster June 3, 1924 and as 3rd class Postmaster on July 13, 1945. Mr. Alexander resigned as Postmaster April 30, 1954 when he was 70 years of age. Mrs. Carrie McDonald was appointed acting Postmaster May 1, 1954. This is a long record of excellent service. The location of the post office was changed from the store to its present location Dec. 1, 1945.

Old Home Day was scheduled for August 13th this year and it could not be postponed although it rained hard all day. We were getting part of a hurricane. The parade started at 9 a. m. and those in old fashioned bathing suits seemed to be dressed appropriately. All costumes were funny. The games and races scheduled to take place at the Harrisville Beach were postponed as were the box lunches at noon. The speaker, Mr. Edward Collier, a summer resident of Harrisville, is a professor at Boston University. He told why he likes Harrisville. The children got prizes and all the scouts got silver dollars. A gift was given to the oldest woman and oldest man in town. They were Mrs. Julia Diselets and Mr. Bernard Bemis.

The ball games between the husbands and wives, and between the Chesham and Harrisville children were also postponed. At 6 p. m. a baked bean supper was served and at 8 p. m. there was a largely attended dance at the Wells Memorial School. The profit on the dance, \$25, went to the Harrisville-Chesham Churches and the profit on the supper, \$50, went to St. Dennis R. C. Church. Business men of Harrisville and Peterborough contributed \$50 for fireworks which were displayed the following Wednesday night to a large crowd of people from this and surrounding towns.

The Harrisville-Chesham Churches had a busy year with Mr. William Wilcox serving as full-time pastor. Because of his hard work and inspiration to all of us, the churches are once more "out of the red." The successful every member canvass should take care of the coming year's budget for these churches.

The Ladies' Aid has done a fine work with weekly food sales and two smorgasbords during the summer, enabling them to turn nearly \$700 into the churches. We look forward to an even better year in 1956.

Our Lady of the Snows Guild of St. Dennis R. C. Church was organized in December 1951. Regular monthly meetings are held and plans are made to help the church get what is needed and shut-ins are remembered with flowers, etc. Food and penny sales raised money to help purchase the new electric organ.

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Wells Memorial School was organized April 14, 1955. There are 42 paid members. Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 8 p. m. in the Wells Memorial School. The P.T.A. sponsors the Cub Scouts, Pack 301, and has bought a table for the school lunch room and made donations to community projects. They raised this money by having two penny auctions, a block dance, and a food sale. They also gave \$30 toward the school trip.

Cub Scouts, Pack 301, were organized Dec. 8, 1955, and the charter was presented Jan. 16, 1956. The pack consists of four dens; one in Dublin, two in Harrisville, and one in Nelson. The pack is sponsored by the P.T.A. of the Wells Memorial School and it meets the last Thursday in each month. There are 35 boys between the ages of 9 and 11 under the direction of cub-master Arthur Iselin.

Mrs. Edna Heald and Mrs. Mary Gilman are co-leaders of the 4-H Girls' Sewing Group and they meet the first and third Saturdays of each month between 2 and 4 p. m.

The Chesham Sportsmen's Club was organized in October 1935. They hold regular monthly meetings and have had several suppers and interesting speakers during the year.

Silver Lake Grange No. 105 was organized December 13, 1884 and was incorporated January 21, 1939. Regular meetings have been held and the Grange has contributed to local and state projects and they have entertained many visitors.

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF HARRISVILLE, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp's Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1956
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$10,498 71	\$10,498 71	\$10,498 71
Railroad Tax	52 46	57 50	57 50
Savings Bank Tax	198 07	165 65	165 65
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	2,290 18	2,290 18	2,290 18
For Fighting Forest Fires		49 03	
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	200 00	190 45	175 00
Interest received on Taxes and Deposits	200 00	227 03	150 00
Income from Trust Funds		120 56	
<b>Income of Departments:</b>			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	150 00	1,428 32	150 00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,400 00	2,872 12	2,700 00
Sale of Town Property		4,566 00	
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	400 00	394 00	400 00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	10 00	10 00	10 00
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$16,207 35	\$22,869 55	\$16,597 04
<b>Amt. to be raised by Prop. Taxes</b>			<b>\$64,700 50</b>
Total Revenues			<b>\$81,297 54</b>

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp's Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1956
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,800 00	\$1,674 93	\$1,700 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200 00	1,208 04	1,200 00
Election & Registration Expenses	75 00	86 89	125 00
Expenses Town Hall & Other			
Town Buildings	150 00	137 75	150 00
<b>Protection of Persons and</b>			
<b>Property:</b>			
Police Department	250 00	136 98	250 00
Fire Department	2,000 00	2,147 67	2,150 00
Insurance	1,100 00	1,047 84	800 00
<b>Health:</b>			
Health Dept., Including Hospitals	250 00	272 13	275 00
Vital Statistics	20 00	15 50	20 00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	150 00	117 41	150 00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Maintenance—Summer	11,605 55	12,816 67	11,500 00
Town Maintenance—Winter	4,000 00	4,184 00	4,000 00
Street Lighting	1,675 00	1,636 58	1,675 00
General Exp. of Highway Dept.	2,100 00	1,826 28	2,100 00
Town Road Aid	462 43	462 42	462 34
Libraries	300 00	300 00	300 00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	600 00	74 00	100 00
Old Age Assistance	1,300 00	645 57	500 00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Memorial Day & Veterans' As.	150 00	150 00	
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Parks & Playground, Incl. Band			
Concerts	100 00	80 22	50 00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	750 00	914 09	750 00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Damages & Legal Expenses, Incl.			
Dog Damage	100 00	87 25	100 00
Advertising & Regional As.	127 00	127 00	129 00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp's Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1956
<b>Interest:</b>			
On Temporary Loans	500 00	417 07	500 00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	306 50	240 43	400 00
On Principal of Trust Funds Used by Town		120 56	
Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improv.			
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Construction	2,250 00	2,165 90	
State Aid Construction— Accelerated Program		7,100 00	
New Lands and Buildings	2,500 00	4,368 59	
Indebtedness:			
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>			
(b) Long Term Notes	2,000 00	2,000 00	4,500 00
(c) Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00
Payments to Other Gov. Div.:			
County Taxes	4,584 20	4,584 20	4,584 20
School Taxes	39,675 00	33,085 00	41,327 00
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$83,580 68</b>	<b>\$85,730 97</b>	<b>\$81,297 54</b>

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

	Liabilities Forwarded From 1954	App's 1955	Receipts and Reimb'm	Total Amount Available	Expend. 1955	Unex'd O'drawn	Liabilities Forwarded To 1956
Town officers' salaries		\$1,800 00		\$1,800 00	\$1,674 93	\$125 07	
Town officers' expenses		1,200 00		1,200 00	1,208 04	\$8 04	
Election and registration		75 00		75 00	86 89	11 89	
Town hall and other buildings		150 00		150 00	137 75	12 25	
Police Department		250 00		250 00	136 98	113 02	
Fire department and forest fires	(a)	2,000 00	\$78 54	2,328 54	2,147 67	64 53	\$250 00
Insurance		1,100 00	12 37	1,112 37	1,047 84	272 13	
Health department and hospitals		250 00		250 00	272 13		
Vital Statistics		20 00		20 00	15 50	4 50	
Town dump		150 00		150 00	117 41	32 59	
Town road aid to state		462 43		462 43	462 42	01	
Town maintenance		15,605 55	1,428 32	17,033 87	17,000 67	33 20	
Street lighting		1,675 00		1,675 00	1,636 58	38 42	
General expense of highway dept.		2,100 00		2,100 00	1,826 28	273 72	
Libraries		300 00		300 00	300 00		
Old age assistance		1,300 00	73 50	1,373 50	645 57	727 93	
Town poor		600 00		600 00	74 00	526 00	
Memorial day and other celebrations		150 00	92 90	242 90	150 00	92 90	
Parks and playgrounds—beaches		100 00		100 00	80 22	19 78	
Cemeteries		750 00	120 56	870 56	914 09	43 53	
Damages, legal and dog damages		100 00		100 00	87 25	12 75	
Advertising and Regional Assoc.		127 00		127 00	127 00		
Overlay—abatements and tax refunds		243 14		243 14	64 00	179 14	
Highways and beach-town const.		2,250 00 (b)	5,050 00	7,300 00	3,596 78		3,703 22
New buildings and lands (equipment building)							631 41
Long term notes (highway payloader)		2,500 00 (c)	2,500 00	5,000 00	4,368 59		
		2,000 00		2,000 00	2,000 00		



Capital reserve fund (road equip.)	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	
Interest on indebtedness	806 50	806 50	806 50	657 50	149 00
County tax	4,584 20	4,584 20	4,584 20	4,584 20	
School district tax	14,085 00	39,675 00	53,700 00	33,085 00	20,675 00
State aid construction (Accelerated program)		(c) 7,100 00	7,100 00	7,100 00	
	<u>\$14,335 00</u>	<u>\$83,823 82</u>	<u>\$16,456 19</u>	<u>\$114,615 01</u>	<u>\$2,404 81</u>
				\$87,105 29	\$25,259 63

- a) \$250.00 — Reserved to purchase new fire truck cab.  
b) \$5,050.00 — Receipts from lake development project—sale of lots and road work.  
c) \$9,600.00 — Proceeds from long term notes issued.

## SUMMARY INVENTORY

Land and Buildings (exclusive of growing wood and timber)	\$980,350 00
Electric plants	121,200 00
Horses (12)	725 00
Cows (15)	1,525 00
Goats (4)	50 00
Fowls (3324)	3,200 00
Vehicles (2 house trailer)	1,200 00
Boats and launches (3)	2,250 00
Gasoline pumps and tanks (9)	635 00
Stock in trade (2)	83,300 00
Mills and Machinery (3)	134,500 00
 Total valuation	 <hr/> \$1,328,935 00

## TOTAL VALUATION

(Exclusive of Veterans' Exemptions)

Total valuation	\$1,293,415 00
Amount of taxes committed to collector	67,741 58
Average rate of taxation for all purposes	5 20
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans	35,520 00

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town officers' salaries	\$1,800 00
Town officers' expenses	1,200 00
Election and registration expenses	75 00
Town Hall and other buildings	150 00
Police department	250 00
Fire department	2,000 00
Health dept \$50.00—Hospitals \$200.00	250 00
Dump and garbage collection	150 00
Vital statistics	20 00
Town road aid	462 43
Town maintenance—summer	11,605 55
winter	4,000 00
MacVeagh road	750 00
East side Silver Lake road	1,500 00
General exp. of highway dept.	2,100 00
Insurance	1,100 00
Street lighting	1,675 00
New buildings	2,500 00
Libraries	300 00
Old age assistance	1,300 00
Town poor	600 00

Old home day	150 00
Parks and playgrounds (beaches)	100 00
Cemeteries	750 00
Damages and legal expenses	100 00
Advertising and regional association	127 00
Payment on principal of debt (payloader)	2,000 00
Interest	806 50
County tax	4,584 20
School tax	39,675 00
Capital Reserve fund	1,500 00
Total town and school appropriations	<u>\$83,580 68</u>

#### LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS

Interest and dividends tax	\$10,498 71	
Railroad tax	52 46	
Savings Bank tax	198 07	
Reimbursement a/c state and federal lands	92 82	
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	2,290 18	
Motor vehicle permit fees	2,400 00	
Dog licenses	200 00	
Rent of town property and equipment	150 00	
Interest on taxes and income from trust funds	200 00	
Total revenue and credits		<u>\$16,082 24</u>
		<u>\$67,498 44</u>
Plus overlay		243 14
Net amount to be raised by taxation		<u>\$67,741 58</u>
Less 237 poll taxes	\$474 00	
Less National Bank stock taxes	10 00	
		<u>\$484 00</u>
Amount to be raised by property taxes		<u>\$67,257 58</u>

#### TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property taxes	\$67,257 58
Poll taxes at \$2.00	474 00
National Bank stock taxes	10 00
Total taxes committed	<u>\$67,741 58</u>

# BALANCE SHEET

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

### ASSETS

December 31, 1955

Cash:		
Treasurer	\$18,957 75	
Tax collector	150 90	
Town clerk	34	
	<hr/>	\$19,108 99
Capital Reserve Fund (Contra)		
Road equipment		\$1,998 00
Accounts due town:		
Reimbursement a/c yield tax loss	\$2,161 09	
Reimbursement a/c flood control	92 82	
	<hr/>	\$2,253 91
Unredeemed taxes:		
Levy of 1954	\$1,695 13	
Levy of 1953	20 46	
	<hr/>	\$1,715 69
Uncollected taxes:		
Levy of 1955		\$8,434 49
State head taxes—Levy of 1955		240 00
Previous years		10 00
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		\$33,761 08
Net debt		7,451 74
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Total assets and net debt		\$41,212 82

### LIABILITIES

December 31, 1955

Unexpended appropriation balance:		
Fire truck cab	\$250 00	
Town construction beach project	3,703 22	
New highway equipt. building	631 41	
	<hr/>	\$4,584 63
State Head Taxes:		
Uncollected—Levy of 1955	\$240 00	
Collected—Not remitted to state treas.	82 50	
	<hr/>	\$322 50

Due to School District:	
Balance of appropriation	\$20,675 00
Capital Reserve Fund (Contra)	1,998 00
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Highway payloader	\$4,032 69
Equipment highway building	2,500 00
State aid construction notes	7,100 00
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Total liabilities	\$41,212 82

#### ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Net debt Dec. 31, 1954	\$2,605 43	
Net debt Dec. 31, 1955	7,451 74	
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Increase in net debt		\$4,846 31
Factor Affecting Increase in Net Debt:		
Long term notes issued	\$9,600 00	
Net budget surplus	2,656 77	
Long term note paid	2,000 00	
Accounts receivable increase	92 82	
Excess reimbursement received from state a/c bounties	4 10	
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		\$4,753 69
		<hr/>
Net increase		\$4,846 31

#### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Libraries, lands and buildings	\$2,000 00
Furniture and equipment	1,200 00
Police department, lands and buildings	25 00
Equipment	150 00
Fire department, equipment	13,500 00
Highway Dept. lands and buildings	12,500 00
Equipment	27,500 00
Materials and supplies	300 00
Schools, lands and buildings	70,000 00
Equipment	3,000 00
Lellia Stevens land	150 00
Town dump land	300 00
Russell Reservoir land	500 00
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Total	\$136,125 00

## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

From January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956

4 Auto permits for 1954, Helen B. Thayer	\$15 05
6 Auto permits for 1954, Marie F. Lavigne	5 44
21 Auto permits for 1955, Helen B. Thayer	165 30
302 Auto permits for 1955, Marie F. Lavigne	2,686 33
Filing fees	11 00
2 Dog licenses less town clerk fee	1 35
72 Dog licenses less town clerk fee	189 10

Total	\$3,073 57
Paid to Treasurer:	
Car registrations	\$2,872 12
Filing fees	11 00
Dog licenses	190 45
Total	\$3,073 57

MARIE F. LAVIGNE  
Town Clerk

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### UNPAID DOG TAXES—1955

Herbert Allen, 1 sp. female	\$2 00
Wilfred Beaulieu, 1 sp. female	2 00
Alex Blomgren, 1 male	2 00
Jerry Blanchard, 1 female	5 00
Sterling Chamberlain, 1 female	5 00
Ralph Clark, 1 male	2 00
Frank Larette, 1 male	2 00
Onni Mackey, 1 male	2 00
Daniel Murray, 1 male	2 00
Francis Parker, 1 female	5 00
Herbert Phillips, 1 male	2 00
Roland Tarr, 1 female	5 00
Wesley Tarr, 1 male	2 00
Allen Vincent, 1 sp. female	2 00
Harold Walker, 1 male	2 00
Total	\$42 00

MARIE F. LAVIGNE  
Town Clerk

# REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Tax Levy of 1955

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

### DEBITS

Original Warrant Committed:

Property taxes	\$67,257 58
Poll taxes	474 00
National Bank stock taxes	10 00
Yield taxes	129 09

Added property taxes during 1955  
Interest collected

\$67,870 67  
78  
8 01

Total Debits

\$67,879 46

### CREDITS

Remittances to treasurer:

Property taxes	\$58,853 07
Poll taxes	394 00
National Bank stock taxes	10 00
Yield taxes	123 89
Interest collected	8 01

\$59,388 97

Abatements Allowed:

Property taxes	\$52 00
Poll taxes	10 00

\$62 00

Uncollected taxes—Dec. 31, 1955:

Property taxes	\$8,353 29
Poll taxes	70 00
Yield taxes	5 20

\$8,428 49

Total Credits

\$67,879 46

### Tax Levies of Prior Years

#### DEBITS

Tax Levies of—

1954 1953

Uncollected Taxes—Dec. 31, 1954:

Property taxes	\$5,506 41	
Poll taxes	62 00	\$4 00

Yield taxes	256 62	
Added poll taxes during 1955	8 00	
Interest collected during 1955	213 88	14
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Total Debits	\$6,046 91	\$4 14

#### CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property taxes	\$5,506 41	
Poll taxes	64 00	2 00
Yield taxes	256 62	
Interest collected	213 88	14
Poll tax abatement during 1955	2 00	
Uncollected Taxes—Dec. 31, 1955:		
*Poll taxes	\$4 00	2 00
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Total Credits	\$6,046 91	\$4 14
* Clifford Brown		
Sadie Harlow		
Donald Chamberlain		

### STATE HEAD TAX

#### Levy of 1955

#### DEBIT

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original warrant	\$1,540 00	
Added taxes	5 00	
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Total Commitment		\$1,545 00
Penalties collected		7 50
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Total Debits		\$1,552 50

#### CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head taxes	\$1,290 00	
Penalties	7 50	
Abatements	15 00	
Uncollected head taxes as per		
Collector's list	240 00	
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Total Credits		\$1,552 50

#### Levy of 1954

#### DEBITS

Uncollected head taxes as of	
Jan. 1, 1955	\$195 00



Added during 1955	15 00	
Penalties collected during 1955	19 00	
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Total Debits		\$229 00
CREDITS		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head taxes	\$195 00	
Penalties	19 00	
* Abatements in 1955	5 00	
** Uncollected head taxes	10 00	
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Total Credits		\$229 00
* Walter Patterson—left town		
** Clifford Brown		
Donald Chamberlain		

## SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

	DEBITS	Tax Levies of		
	Total	1954	1953	1952
Unredeemed taxes				
Dec. 31, 1954	\$69 71		\$65 14	\$4 57
Tax sale of Sept. 24, 1955	1,846 03	\$1,846 03		
Interest collected after sale	5 00		4 32	68
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	\$1,920 74	\$1,846 03	\$69 46	\$5 25

## CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:				
A/c Redemptions	\$49 15		\$44 58	\$4 57
A/c Interest	5 00		4 32	68
Cash in hands of collector				
Dec. 31, 1955	150 90	\$150 90		
Unredeemed taxes				
Dec. 31, 1955 (*)	1,715 69	1,695 13	20 56	
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	\$1,920 74	\$1,846 03	\$69 46	\$5 25

(*) Unredeemed List:				
Gillis, John & Angeline	\$1,668 90	\$1,668 90		
Seaver, Alfred Estate	44 48	23 92	\$20 56	
Zont, Alonzo	2 31*	2 31		
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	\$1,715 69	\$1,695 13	\$20 56	

\* Balance

# UNCOLLECTED TAXES AS OF DEC. 31, 1955

Levy of 1955

Resident	Property	Poll	Head
Atkoczaitis, Antonio			\$5 00
†Barcomb, William & Eva	\$72 80	\$2 00	10 00
Bardis, Jane		2 00	5 00
Bemis, William F.	322 40		
Bemis, Casper C. Jr. and Margaret M.	260 00		
Bemis, Casper C., Jr.	52 00		
Cody, Paul			5 00
*Chisson, Menley		2 00	5 00
*Davis, Frederick & Estelle	34 00		
Elliot, Ralph & Ruth		4 00	10 00
Getty, Gordon & Jacqueline		2 00	10 00
†Gilman, Herman & Mary	143 00	2 00	10 00
Gruenler, Arthur & Salome	41 60		
*Goodyear, Raymond & Gertrude		4 00	10 00
Gillis, John & Angeline	2,147 60		
Hanson, Harry & Joyce	11 80		
Hazen, Edson H. Est.	93 60		
†Hodge, Harry & Iva	26 00	2 00	10 00
Hamalainen, Helmi		2 00	5 00
Harlow, Sadie	66 56		5 00
James, Edgar		2 00	5 00
*Keough, Peter			5 00
Lapointe, Charles & Norman Bemis	2 60		
Lorette, Frank & Mavis		4 00	10 00
Lee, Gladys		2 00	5 00
Mackey, Onni & Rena	83 20	4 00	10 00
Mayou, Clifford			5 00
McClure, Margaret	93 60	2 00	5 00
McClure, Laurence		2 00	5 00
Mallet, Robert, Jr. & Norma		2 00	10 00
Murray, Doris & Thomas Knowlton	20 80	2 00	10 00
Parker, Francis & Helen	26 00	4 00	10 00
*Pretila, Reino		2 00	5 00
Paronen, Waino			5 00
*Phillips, Patricia		2 00	5 00
Shonamon, Hansel	62 40	2 00	5 00
Sanders, Donald		2 00	5 00
*Sanders, Norma		2 00	5 00
Seaver, Albert			5 00
*St. Peter, Leonder & Mary		2 00	10 00

*St. Peter, Joseph		2 00	
*Van Zile, Edward B.	182 00		
*Van Zile, Dorothy		2 00	5 00
White, Paul & Beatrice		2 00	10 00
Winn, Madyline		2 00	5 00
Walker, Harold & Dorothy		2 00	10 00
Willard, Ralph, Jr.		2 00	
Total	\$3,741 96	\$70 00	\$240 00

Non-Resident:

Alfamo, Dominick	\$78 00
Andreason, Lillie & Lillian Hussey	78 00
Annett Box Co.	15 60
Bemis, Norman D.	52 00
Calkins, Mary J.	15 60
Clooney, Patrick & Shirley	52 00
Connor, William & Elizabeth	93 60
†Doore, Clarence & Frances	104 00
*Dube, Alfred, Carl Weeks & Frank LaFlamme	72 80
Derby Hill Associates (bal.)	160 29
*Day, Dorothy B.	31 20
Edwards, Kenneth	93 60
*Grau, John A.	39 00
Grimes, Alfred	26 00
Grimes, Sarah R.	78 00
Hayes, Alfred & Ellen	10 40
Johnson, Roy R.	41 60
Kells, Jean C.	62 40
*Leighton, Henry, Est.	5 20
*Laurey, Chauncey & Margretta	72 80
Murphy, Emma A.	166 40
Marienfeld Camps, Inc.	1,344 20
McClaren, James, Est.	6 24
Nicholson, Chester & Ann	88 40
Nichols, Elizabeth K.	31 20
Parker, Ralph & Mildred	18 20
Peterson, Charles & Josephine	10 40
*Reynolds, Wesley & Ethel	23 40
Saunders, Vida M.	213 20
Seaver, Alfred, Est.	20 80
Shortledge, R. J. & Helen	956 80
Struthers, Park H.	15 60
Stockman, Harold I.	78 00
†Sutton, Gardner & Elizabeth	238 00
Seavey, Dean B.	10 40

Venable, James A.	52 00
Yont, Alonzo	156 00

Total	\$4,611 33
Yield Tax:	
Parker, Ralph	\$5 20

\*Denotes payment between Jan. 1, 1956 and Jan. 27, 1956.

†Denotes partial payment.

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1955, on account of the tax levy of 1955, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

RALPH B. BEMIS

Tax Collector

# REPORT OF TREASURER

## RECEIPTS

From Ralph B. Bemis, Tax Collector:

1955 property taxes	\$58,853 07
1955 poll and head taxes	1,394 00
1954 property taxes and poll and head taxes	6,057 41
1953 head taxes	5 00
Tax sales redeemed	49 83
Head tax penalties and interest received	
on taxes	253 35
National Bank stock taxes	10 00
Yield taxes	380 51

From State of New Hampshire:

Road toll refund	198 80
Fighting forest fires	45 68
Hedgehog bounties	56 00
Interest and dividends tax	10,498 71
Savings Bank tax	165 65
Railroad tax	57 50
Town's share of a recovery of old age assistance—Frank Chant	73 50

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Helen B. Thayer, town clerk:	
1955 auto permit fees	165 30
1954 dog license	1 35
Marie F. Lavigne, town clerk	
1954 auto permit fees	20 49
1955 auto permit fees	2,686 33
1955 dog licenses	189 10
Filing fees	11 00

From other sources:

Business licenses, permits, fees	4 50
Income from trust funds (cemetery)	120 56
Memorial Day and other celebrations	92 90
Insurance refunds	12 37
Reimb. Roger Tolman fire (4-20-54)	32 86
Sale of Lake Nubaunsit shore lots	4,550 00
¼ share of const. of east side Silver Lake road	500 00
Sale of town property	26 00
Highway department	1,219 52

Receipts other than current revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	27,500 00
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Term notes (T.R.A. loan and Highway bldg. loans)	9,600 00
New cemetery trust funds	500 00
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955	11,897 78
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	\$137,229 07

Respectfully submitted,  
DOROTHY E. LUOMA  
Treasurer

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:		
Property taxes for 1955	\$58,853 07	
Poll and head taxes 1955	1,394 00	
Property, poll and heads 1954	6,057 41	
Head tax 1953	5 00	
Tax sales redeemed	49 83	
Head tax penalties and interest received on taxes	253 35	
National Bank stock taxes	10 00	
Timber yield taxes 1954, 1955	380 51	
	<hr/>	\$67,003 17
From State:		
Road toll refund	\$198 80	
Fighting forest fires	45 68	
Hedgehog bounties	56 00	
Interest and dividends tax	10,498 71	
Savings Bank tax	165 65	
Railroad tax	57 50	
Town's share of a recovery old age assistance—Frank Chant	73 50	
	<hr/>	\$11,095 84
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Helen B. Thayer, town clerk		
1955 auto permit fees	\$165 30	
1954 Dog license	1 35	
Marie F. Lavigne, town clerk		
1954 auto permit fees	20 49	
1955 auto permit fees	2,686 33	
1955 dog licenses	189 10	
Filing fees	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,073 57
From other local sources:		
Business licenses, permits and fees	\$4 50	
Income from trust funds (cemetery)	120 56	
Memorial Day and other celebrations	92 90	
Insurance refunds	12 37	
Reimb. Roger Tolman fire (4-20-54)	32 86	
Sale of Lake Nubaunsit shore lots	4,550 00	
¼ share of const. of east side Silver Lake road	500 00	
Sale of town property	26 00	
Highway department	1,219 52	
	<hr/>	\$6,558 71

Receipts other than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$27,500 00
Term notes (T.R.A. loan and highway bldg. loans)	9,600 00
New cemetery trust funds	500 00
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Total receipts of all sources	\$37,600 00
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955	\$11,897 78
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Grand Total	\$137,229 07

#### DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Jan.	1	Cash on hand	\$11,897 78
	7	Arthur W. Wikman, service rendered	3 00
		Arthur W. Wikman, salt	2 70
	13	Helen B. Thayer, car reg.	150 00
		Helen B. Thayer, dog taxes, 1954	1 35
	21	State of N. H., road toll refund	19 00
	28	Casper C. Bemis, refund on Old Home Day	92 90
Feb.	4	State of N. H., road toll refund	17 25
		Estelle James, plowing driveway	5 00
		Arthur W. Wikman, 2 bags of salt	2 70
		Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	9	Bernard F. Richardson, fire at Roger Tolman's 4-20-54	32 86
	11	Arthur W. Wikman, road service	2 00
		John J. Colony, Jr., highway dept.	8 00
		Middlesex Mutual Fire Ins. Co., dividend refund on tractor ins.	2 25
	15	State of N. H., town share of recovery on Old Age Asst.—Frank Chant	73 50
		State of N. H., 1954 share on warden's service	3 75
	18	Ida Laine, plowing driveway	5 00
		State of N. H., road toll refund	18 35
	21	Marie Lavigne, car registrations	207 78
	25	Fanny A. Luoma, plowing driveway	5 00
		Grace Clemmer, plowing driveway	5 00
Mar.	2	Ralph B. Bemis, 1954 poll taxes	14 00
		1953 poll tax	2 00
		1954 head taxes	50 00
		1953 head tax	5 00
		1954 property taxes	548 49
		1954 head tax penalties	4 50
		1953 head tax penalties	50
		1954 interest	3 90
		1953 interest	14
		1954 yield tax	256 62
		1952 tax sale redemption	5 25



	11	Grace Clemmer, plowing snow	5 00
		Virginia T. Ferry, plowing snow	6 00
	24	Marie Lavigne, car registrations	794 03
		filing fees	11 00
Apr.	1	State of N. H., porcupine bounties	26 00
		Blue Line Exp. Inc., highway dept.	5 00
		State of N. H., road toll refund	19 95
	8	Arthur Wikman, road service	2 00
	15	Mary B. Upton, highway dept.	5 00
	18	Selectmen, note	3,000 00
	22	Arthur Wikman, road service	5 00
		Grace Clemmer, highway dept.	14 00
	29	Grange Mutual Fire Ins. Co. of N. H., dividend on old school	4 12
May	6	Dora L. Swasey, highway dept.	5 50
		State of N. H., road toll refund	29 25
		Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	9	Ralph B. Bemis, 1954 poll taxes	30 00
		1954 head taxes	85 00
		1954 property taxes	300 00
		1954 interest	5 00
		1954 head tax penalties	8 50
	11	Town of Dublin, fire on Monument Road	16 17
	13	Edgar Seaver, highway dept.	5 50
		Town of Marlboro, highway dept.	5 00
	19	State of N. H., state share of forest fire 4-9-55	8 18
	20	Grange Mutual Fire Ins. Co., refund on railroad station	6 00
		Louise MacVeagh, plowing snow 1954-55	24 00
	23	Selectmen, note	3,500 00
	27	Arthur W. Wikman, service rendered	15 50
		Robert A. Davis, Silver Lake Road—E. side	56 00
		Edgar Seaver, same	119 70
		Pat Day, same	39 05
		Lois C. Cooper—Ellis, same	63 00
		Lloyd O. Frechette, same	36 40
		Robert V. Howard, same	141 75
		Raymond Ellis, same	39 20
		Russell Allen, same	4 90
	30	Marie Lavigne, car registrations	717 56
June	3	Arthur Wikman, service rendered	20 00
		State of N. H., road toll refund	24 50
	6	Selectmen, note	4,500 00
	13	Selectmen, note	2,000 00
	17	State of N. H., road toll refund	24 05
		Wellington Wells, Jr., plowing snow	6 00
		George Stewart, highway dept.	34 00
		State of N. H., share of training meeting	3 09

	20 Selectmen, note	2,000 00
	25 Harold C. Clark, cemetery lot	15 00
	27 Selectmen, note	1,000 00
July	1 Selectmen, note	1,000 00
	11 Selectmen, note	8,000 00
	16 Robert A. Walker, highway dept.	15 00
	Lawrence W. Rathburn, highway dept.	36 00
	Arthur W. Wikman, highway dept.	71 50
	Arvo J. Luoma, highway dept.	10 00
	25 Selectmen, note	1,500 00
	29 Selectmen, note	1,000 00
	30 Town of Dublin, tar	286 65
	R. J. Shortledge, highway dept.	18 00
	Arthur W. Wikman, highway dept.	6 50
Aug.	1 State of N. H., interest and div. tax	10,498 71
	State of N. H., hedgehog bounties	30 00
	6 Arthur Wikman, highway dept.	19 50
	Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	12 Arthur Wikman	25 50
	16 Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	108 00
	1954 poll taxes	6 00
	1954 property taxes	1,504 84
	1954 interest	37 05
	1955 head taxes	370 00
	1954 head taxes	30 00
	1954 head tax penalties	3 00
	18 Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	26 State of N. H., road toll refund	19 65
	30 Selectmen, down pay. on lots sold by auction at Lake Nubaunsit	455 00
Sept.	2 George Stewart, highway dept.	137 00
	Lucius E. Thayer, highway dept.	20 00
	Arthur Wikman, highway dept.	5 00
	9 Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	30 00
	1954 poll taxes	6 00
	1955 property taxes	3,200 00
	1954 property taxes	1,340 60
	1955 National Bank stock	10 00
	1954 Interest	68 43
	1955 head taxes	115 00
	1954 head taxes	15 00
	1954 head tax penalties	1 50
	1953 tax sale redeemed	18 13
	12 Robert McLaughlin, bal. on Nubaunsit lot	1,935 00
	16 Bronislaw M. Kristof, bal. on Nubaunsit lot	1,170 00
	20 Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	8 00
	1955 property taxes	3,400 00

23	Norman E. Kenney, bal. on Nubt. lot	990 00
	Philip E. Scott, highway dept.	28 00
	Selectmen, note due Dec. 23, 1957	3,500 00
	Selectmen, note	3,600 00
	Selectmen, pistol permit	50
27	State of N. H., warden's training meeting	8 01
	State of N. H., warden's service	3 75
	State of N. H., forest fire 8-25	2 73
30	Frank E. Upton, Jr., highway dept.	3 00
30	Selectmen, highway dept.—old culverts	10 00
	Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	Clifford Mayou, acquired land—	
	Town of Harrisville	1 00
	Estate of Addie M. Beal, Persia Beal	
	cemetery trust fund	100 00
	Estate of Addie M. Beal, George T. Beal	
	trust fund	200 00
	State of N. H., road toll refund	19 75
Oct. 11	Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	34 00
	1955 property taxes	2,200 00
	1954 poll taxes	6 00
	1954 property taxes	1,812 48
	1954 head taxes	15 00
	1954 head tax penalties	1 50
	1953 tax sale redeemed	30 77
21	Henry Gally, Jr., highway dept.	16 00
	Town of Dublin, highway dept.	59 15
26	Marie Lavigne, car registrations	847 75
	dog taxes	186 80
28	Ray Tarbox, highway dept.	53 75
	Selectmen, pistol permit	50
Nov. 5	Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	32 00
	1955 property taxes	6,600 00
	1954 interest	99 40
	1955 head taxes	200 00
19	John A. Colburn, treas.—Council of	
	Harrisville, Chesham, and Nelson	
	churches,—highway dept.	13 00
	E. A. Steigman, plowing driveway	5 00
25	School District of Harrisville, highway dept.	27 66
	Herbert Young, plowing driveway	10 00
	Roland Alexander, plowing driveway	10 00
29	Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	82 00
	1954 poll taxes	2 00
	1955 property taxes	8,600 00
	1954 interest	10
	1955 head taxes	290 00

Dec.	2	Edward Gregoire, plowing driveway	10 00
		Herman Thayer, plowing driveway	10 00
		Edgar G. Seaview, highway dept.	16 50
		Charles O. Baird, Jr., plowing driveway	10 00
		Oren L. Farwell, Estate, trust funds	200 00
		Selectmen, pistol permit	50
	7	Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	78 00
		1955 property taxes	31,300 00
		1955 head taxes	240 00
	9	Charles D. Tousley, plowing driveway	10 00
		Fanny A. Luoma, plowing driveway	10 00
		Edward Faulkner, plowing driveway	10 00
	9	Rev. Eugene Belanger	10 00
		State of N. H., road toll refund	7 05
	16	E. A. Steigman, bal. for plowing snow	5 00
		Cheshire Mills, highway dept.	27 66
		Ruth B. Hastings, highway dept.	28 25
	31	Selectmen, note	2,500 00
		Marie Lavigne, car registrations	155 00
		dog taxes	2 30
		Ralph B. Bemis, 1955 poll taxes	22 00
		1955 property taxes	3,553 07
		1955 yield taxes	123 89
		1955 interest	8 01
		1955 head taxes	75 00
		1955 head tax penalties	7 50
		State of N. H. Savings Bank tax	165 65
		Railroad tax	57 50
		Guy W. Thayer, interest on trust funds	120 56
Total Receipts From All Sources			<hr/> \$137,229 07

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:		
1. Town officers' salaries	\$1,674 93	
2. Town officers' expenses	1,208 04	
3. Election and registration	86 89	
4. Town hall and other town bldgs.	137 75	
	<hr/>	\$3,107 61
Protection of Persons and Property:		
5. Police department	\$136 98	
6. Fire dept. including forest fires	2,147 67	
7. Bounties	30 00	
8. Insurance	1,047 84	
	<hr/>	\$3,362 49
Health and Sanitation:		
9. Health dept. inc. hospitals	\$272 13	
10. Vital statistics	15 50	
11. Town dump	117 41	
	<hr/>	\$405 04
Highways and Bridges:		
12. Summer maintenance	\$12,816 67	
13. Winter maintenance	4,184 00	
14. Town road aid	7,562 42	
15. Street lighting	1,636 58	
16. General Exp. of highway dept.	1,826 28	
	<hr/>	\$28,025 95
Libraries:		
17. Library		\$300 00
Public Welfare:		
18. Old age assistance	\$645 57	
19. Town poor	74 00	
	<hr/>	\$719 57
Patriotic Purposes:		
20. Old home day		\$150 00
Recreation:		
21. Harrisville and Chesham beaches		\$80 22
Public Service Enterprises:		
22. Monadnock Region Ass'n	\$127 00	
23. Cemeteries	914 09	
	<hr/>	\$1,041 09

Unclassified:		
24 Damages and legal damages inc. dog damages	\$87 25	
25. Taxes bought by town	1,846 03	
		\$1,933 28
Interest:		
26. On temporary notes in anticipation of taxes	\$417 07	
On long term notes for pay loader	181 26	
On T.R.A. loan	59 17	
		\$657 50
New Construction and Improvements:		
27. MacVeagh road	\$706 63	
28. East side Silver Lake Road	1,959 27	
29. Silver Road	930 88	
30. Highway road equipt. building	4,368 59	
		\$7,965 37
Indebtedness Payments:		
31. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$27,500 00	
32. Payment on long term notes for payloader	2,000 00	
33. Capital Reserve Fund for road equipment	1,500 00	
34. New Trust Funds	500 00	
		\$31,500 00
Payments to other Governmental Divisions:		
35. County taxes	\$4,584 20	
36. State head taxes	1,354 00	
37. Payments to school district	33,085 00	
		\$39,023 20
Total payments for all purposes		\$118,271 32
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1955		18,957 75
Grand Total		\$137,229 07

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### General Government:

#### DETAIL 1. SALARIES:

Helen Thayer, town clerk	\$12 25
Ralph B. Bemis, tax collector	337 70
Dorothy E. Luoma, treasurer	122 50
J. Edward Mattila, selectman	442 54
Harold W. Pope, selectman	171 50
William P. House, selectman	140 14
Marie F. Lavigne, town clerk	273 42
Guy W. Thayer, treas. of trustees of trust funds	9 80
Treas. State of N. H., social security	65 68
Director of Internal Revenue, withholding taxes	84 10
The Ashuelot-Citizens National Bank Deposit on withholding taxes	15 30
	\$1,674 93

#### DETAIL 2. TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES:

Charles R. Hardy, treas. town clerk dues	\$2 00
Ass'n of N. H. assessors dues	3 00
Ida M. Horner, sec'y, tax collector's dues	3 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Selectmen's tel.	109 95
Dresser Business School, zoning ordinance copies	34 50
Helen H. Spaulding, postage on zoning ordinance copies	6 32
Alexander R. James, exp. of highway bldg. plans	75 00
Harold W. Pope, postcards, stencil, stamps, envelopes, mileage, bulbs and kerosene	25 13
Transcript Printing Co., town reports and notification sheets	499 50
J. Edward Mattila, mileage, box rent, stamps and misc. supplies	120 25
N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare, cost of OASI program	19 90
Chase's, misc. supplies, poll and property tax books, vouchers, conditional sales books	65 22
Andrew Elder, auctioneer service	10 00
D. Reed Chaplin, Register, tax sales and mortgage lists, transfer cards, postage, recording deeds and revenue stamps	36 52

Esther Bennett, list of deceased owners	50
State Tax Comm. expense of audit	101 24
Velma Fraser, fee on land transfer	1 00
Braham Pub. Co., auto reference book	4 00
The Hampshire Press, printing and postage of snowplowing agreem'ts	7 89
William F. Bemis, 12 Xmas tree lamps	2 30
Ralph B. Bemis, exp. of tax collector	35 05
Henry and Johnson, Inc., 48 Xmas tree lamps	11 52
Roland Alexander, treas., use of electricity, Chesham Xmas tree lights	5 00
William P. House, exp. and mileage	22 96
Marie F. Lavigne, exp. of town clerk	6 29

\$1,208 04

#### DETAIL 3. ELECTION AND REGISTRATION:

Helen H. Spaulding, typing and check lists	\$11 76
Viola McLaughlin, supervisor	9 80
Bernard F. Bemis, election officer	5 00
George P. Winn, ballot clerk	5 00
Edgar James, election officer	5 00
John Priest, ballot clerk	4 90
Transcript Printing Co., ballots	14 75
Treas. State of N. H., social security	1 28
Keene Pub. Corp., special meeting advt. and ballots	24 50
Elaine J. House, supervisor	4 90

\$86 89

#### DETAIL 4. TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS:

Public Service Co. of N. H., lights	\$120 47
Harold W. Pope, supplies	40
Wilfred Record, cleaning hall	6 88
Robert A. Walker, sawing wood	10 00

\$137 75

#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

##### DETAIL 5. POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Leo P. Dion, police service and exp.	\$10 87
Sterling E. Chamberlain, same	16 69
James A. Sibley, same	39 85
Frank A. Bates, Jr., same	65 71
Treas. State of N. H., social security	3 86

\$136 98



#### DETAIL 6. FIRE DEPT., INCLUDING FOREST FIRES:

Huckins Oil Co., 691.2 gals. range oil	\$115 68
Dublin Oil Co., 99.2 gals. range oil	15 47
John D. Smith, 755 gals. range oil	127 99
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	110 80
Ralph W. Payne, excavating fire hole	100 00
Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, Inc., 6 gals. Menthoral	5 35
N. H. State Firemen's Ass'n, dues	30 00
Orvel B. Peirce, repairs on stove	11 00
Robert G. Crowell, state mgr. firemen's insurance	130 50
Gilman's Garage, labor, oil, grease, materials	28 25
Mason's Garage, batteries, labor, parts and supplies	89 99
H. B. L. Tire Co., tires and tubes forest fire truck	67 00
Maxim Motor Co., pressure gauge	2 32
James A. Coffin, nozzle holders, plates, fire posters, mittens, overhaul marine pumps, first aid kit, pump, periscope, hose, batteries and other supplies	693 38
Justin B. Chamberlain, salary deputy Fire Chief	49 00
N. H. Fire and Safety Equip. Co., CO2 refills	5 00
Harold W. Pope, gas, oil and supplies	38 59
Sterling E. Chamberlain, cleaning stove and janitor services	57 82
Ralph Clark, cleaning stove	3 67
Leo P. Dion, fire drill	4 90
Leonder St. Peter, chief's salary, warden school, drill, mileage, tel., fire permits, etc.	178 69
Leonder St. Peter and men, labor on Eastview, Dublin and Johnson school lot fires	32 54
Treas., State of N. H., social security	12 80
Moe's Service Station, gas, bulbs, tires and tubes	236 93
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	\$2,147 67

#### DETAIL 7. BOUNTIES:

Harold W. Pope, hedgehog	\$24 50
J. Edward Mattila, hedgehog	5 50
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\$30 00

# DETAIL 8. INSURANCE:

Peerless Casualty Co. part of town officers' bonds	\$4 80	
Clark Insurance Agency, compensation insurance, firetrucks, road equipment and town buildings	1,043 04	
		\$1,047 84

# HEALTH AND SANITATION:

## DETAIL 9. HEALTH DEPT., INCLUDING HOSPITALS:

Eliot Community Hospital, aid toward deficit	\$200 00	
William F. Bemis, time, mileage, tel., etc.	72 13	
		\$272 13

## DETAIL 10. VITAL STATISTICS:

Marie F. Lavigne, recording		\$15 50
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## DETAIL 11. TOWN DUMP:

A. W. Peters, 74 gals. gas	\$17 74	
Arthur W. Wikman, labor	20 09	
Charles H. MacDonald, labor	41 54	
Ralph E. Heald, labor	28 09	
Albert S. Seaver, labor	3 51	
Leo P. Dion	6 44	
		\$117 41

# HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:

## DETAIL 12. SUMMER MAINTENANCE:

Arthur W. Wikman, labor, men and mileage	\$5,819 99	
3400 gals. gas	806 51	
Materials	1,953 86	
Trucking, grader, brush cutting labor	894 80	
The Ashuelot-Citizens National Bank, deposits on withholding taxes	528 50	
Dir. of Internal Rev., withholding tax	329 20	
Treas. State of N. H., social security	302 16	
Treas. State of N. H., repairs, bridge T-2302	2,181 65	
		\$12,816 67

### DETAIL 13. WINTER MAINTENANCE:

Arthur W. Wikman, labor, men and mileage	\$3,024 87
1981 gals. gas	472 12
Materials	79 91
Trucking	76 17
Dir. of Internal Rev., withholding tax	391 80
Treas. State of N. H., social security	139 13

\$4,184 00

### DETAIL 14. TOWN ROAD AID:

Treas. State of N. H., 1956 town share	\$462 42
Treas. state of N. H. T.R.A. program 1957-58	7,100 00

\$7,562 42

### DETAIL 15. STREET LIGHTING:

Public Service Co. of N. H., street lights	\$1,636 58
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### DETAIL 16. GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPT.:

Merrimack Farmer's Ex., Inc.	
1.9 ton road salt	\$21 96
Sunshine Stores, Inc., 8½ ton road salt	207 00
Army and Navy Store, 2 raincoats and tarpaulin	41 82
F. C. Mercer & Co., truck mirror	1 75
Sears, Roebuck & Co., battery	20 45
J. E. Faltin Motor Trans. Co., express charges	1 95
Jones Express, express charges	4 77
Gays Express, express charges	3 17
Treas. State of N. H., town line posts	12 00
Sanel Auto Parts of Keene, Inc, cross chains, bulbs, tow chain, cable kit, filters, etc.	137 35
Clukay's Garage, mud flaps, tire repairs, headlight lamps, plugs, labor, paint and state insp.	78 90
W. H. Plimpton, labor and material for salt spreader, repairs and welding on snowplow and road drag	125 41
Johnson Motor Parts, Inc., grease fittings, cotterpins, hydraulic hose and materials for compressor	5 85
Barrett Equipment, Inc., universal joint	5 64
Arthur W. Wikman, time books, post, exp. chges., 2 axes, tire, steel plates, patch tube and rivets	14 48

A. W. Peters, drum of oil and antifreeze	74	94	
Harold W. Pope, supplies	7	40	
Hampshire Retreading and Tire Co., Repairs truck tire	10	72	
Casellini-Venable Corp. of N. H., Exhaust pipe and repairs on R-2 tractor	72	58	
Gale E. Hill, welding and material on truck	7	15	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	114	82	
Knowlton & Stone Co., chain saw, brush hook, ice chisel, snaps and bolts	272	85	
Palmer Spring Co., repairs and rebuild springs	151	60	
R. C. Hazelton Co. Inc., parts and labor on Hough, Grease retainers, snowplow parts and blades	162	88	
Mack Motor Truck Co., cable, switch and post., springs, tune-up, plugs, and repairs on truck	123	58	
Worcester's Garage, charge battery	1	00	
Petrometal Ind., road signs	144	26	
			\$1,826 28
LIBRARIES:			
DETAIL 17. LIBRARY:			
Guy W. Thayer, treas.			\$300 00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
DETAIL 18. OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:			
State of N. H., town's share of old age assistance			\$645 57
DETAIL 19. TOWN POOR:			
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., premiums on Mrs. Eva Dion			\$74 00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:			
DETAIL 20. OLD HOME DAY:			
Andrew Elder, chairman			\$150 00
RECREATION:			
DETAIL 21. HARRISVILLE AND CHESHAM BEACHES:			
Keene Sand & Gravel, Inc., sand	\$35	00	
Charles Beauregard & Sons, Inc., 216 ft. lumber	18	35	
Arthur W. Wikman, labor	23	95	
Albert S. Seaver, labor	2	92	
			\$80 22

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:  
 DETAIL 22. MONADNOCK REGION ASS'N:  
 Monadnock Region Ass'n, dues \$127 00

DETAIL 23. CEMETERIES:  
 Ernest W. Chamberlain, labor,  
     fertilizer and lawn seed \$388 28  
 William F. Bemis, labor 347 11  
 Ralph W. Payne, gravel 150 00  
 Treas. State of N. H., social security 28 70

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\$914 09

UNCLASSIFIED:  
 DETAIL 24. DAMAGES AND LEGAL DAMAGES  
 INCLUDING DOG DAMAGES:

Howard B. Lane, counsel, legal advice,  
     making out deeds, recording deeds  
     and expenses \$77 00  
 Chase's, dog book and tags 10 25

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\$87 25

DETAIL 25. TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN:  
 Ralph B. Bemis, tax collector \$1,846 03

INTEREST:

DETAIL 26. TEMPORARY AND TERM NOTES:  
 On temporary notes in anticipation  
     of taxes \$417 07  
 On long term notes for payloader 181 26  
 On T.R.A. loan 59 17

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\$657 50

NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS:

DETAIL 27. MACVEAGH ROAD:  
 Arthur W. Wikman, labor and men \$90 29  
 Blasting, trucking, shovel and  
     dozer labor 582 74  
 Materials 33 60

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\$706 63

DETAIL 28. EAST SIDE SILVER LAKE ROAD:  
 Arthur W. Wikman, labor and men \$242 37  
 Blasting, trucking, shovel and  
     dozer labor 1,606 50  
 Materials 110 40

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\$1,959 27

DETAIL 29. SILVER ROAD:

Arthur W. Wikman, labor and men	\$302 18
Blasting and dozer labor	501 60
Materials	51 30
Keene Pub. Co., auction advt.	11 40
Herman Chase, survey service	52 00
Treas. State of N. H., social security	12 40

\$930 88

DETAIL 30. HIGHWAY ROAD EQUIPMENT BUILDING:

Arthur W. Wikman, labor	\$14 03
Arthur Whitcomb, Inc., shovel labor	87 60
Keene Pub. Co., advt. for bids	2 31
Alexander James, additional prints	20 26
Roberts Express, ex. charges	2 32
Peterborough Hardware Co., Inc., Bolts and nuts	2 07
Angelo Dimeco, contract bids for footing and sidewalks	4,240 00

\$4,368 59

INDEBTEDNESS PAYMENTS:

DETAIL 31. PAYMENTS ON TEMPORARY LOANS  
IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES:

The Ashuelot-Citizens National Bank, temporary loan	\$2,750 00
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DETAIL 32. PAYMENT ON LONG TERM NOTE FOR  
PAYLOADER:

The Ashuelot-Citizens National Bank, term note	\$2,000 00
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DETAIL 33. CAPITAL RESERVE FUND:

Guy W. Thayer, treas. for road equipt.	\$1,500 00
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DETAIL 34. NEW TRUST FUNDS:

Guy W. Thayer, treas.	\$500 00
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PAYMENT TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DIVISIONS:

DETAIL 35. COUNTY TAXES:

J. Eugene Felch, treas. county taxes	\$4,584 20
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DETAIL 36. STATE HEAD TAXES:

\$1,354 00

DETAIL 37. PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Virginia T. Bates, treas., bal. of 1954-55	
appropriation	\$14,585 00
Virginia T. Bates, treas., part of 1955-56	
appropriation	18,500 00
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	\$33,085 00
Total payments for all purposes	\$118,271 32
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1955	18,957 75
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Grand Total	\$137,229 07

J. EDWARD MATTILA  
WILLIAM P. HOUSE  
HAROLD W. POPE  
Selectmen of Harrisville

DOROTHY E. LUOMA  
Treasurer

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF HARRISVILLE ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUNDS PURPOSE OF TRUST FUNDS	HOW INVESTED	Balance Principal Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance Principal End Year	Balance Income Beginning Year	Income During Year Percent	Income During Year Amount	Expended During Year	Balance Income End Year
5/14/1912	Cemetery: Fanny Goodnow	U. S. Bonds	\$25 00		\$25 00	\$3 53	2 1/2	\$ 62	\$ 62	\$3 53
1/3/1913	J. C. Bancroft	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
2/26/1915	John Rutherford	U. S. Bonds	50 00		50 00	2 17	2 1/2	1 25	1 25	2 17
4/17/1917	Eva Marshall	U. S. Bonds	200 00		200 00	5 58	2 1/2	5 00	5 00	5 58
4/11/1918	Winslow Royce	U. S. Bonds	150 00		150 00	3 93	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	3 93
8/21/1921	Tufts-Tuttle	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	1 25	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	1 25
5/18/1923	Jas. E. Ruffles	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	2 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	2 29
8/16/1924	Silas Atwood	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
12/5/1928	D. & C. C. Farwell	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	5 79	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	5 79
5/13/1929	M. W. Harris	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
8/3/1929	J. K. Russell	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
8/13/1929	Hugh Varner	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
1/4/1930	Wright-Bailey	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
7/29/1930	C. S. Yardley	U. S. Bonds	150 00		150 00	3 93	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	3 93
7/1/1932	C. W. Russell	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
3/18/1933	H. M. Hutchinson	U. S. Bonds	225 00		225 00	5 31	2 1/2	5 63	5 63	5 31
1/1/1934	A. S. & A. Hutchinson	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
4/6/1935	John McWilliams	U. S. Bonds	200 00		200 00	5 58	2 1/2	5 00	5 00	5 58
4/4/1938	Richard Roubold	U. S. Bonds	150 00		150 00	3 93	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	3 93
4/8/1938	Frances E. Hardy	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
10/18/1938	Lillian & Henry Miller	U. S. Bonds	150 00		150 00	3 93	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	3 93
4/2/1940	Heath	U. S. Bonds	150 00		150 00	3 93	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	3 93
6/30/1942	Albert & Jennie Knowlton	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
11/30/1942	Calbert Seaver	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
11/23/1943	Henry C. Farwell	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	5 79	2 1/2	3 75	3 75	5 79
2/24/1944	David C. Willard	U. S. Bonds	50 00		50 00	2 49	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	2 49
5/20/1944	W. W. Lampman	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	2 90	2 1/2	1 25	1 25	2 90
1/5/1945	Caroline C. Brooks	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	1 25	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	1 25
5/21/1945	Howe	U. S. Bonds	50 00		50 00	2 88	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	2 88
12/31/1948	White-Ball	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	3 75	2 1/2	1 25	1 25	3 75
3/13/1951	Percy W. Russell	U. S. Bonds	200 00		200 00	3 29	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	3 29
3/13/1951	M. Derby & John Stewart	U. S. Bonds	200 00		200 00	5 00	2 1/2	5 00	5 00	5 00
3/13/1951	Albert & Emma Russell	U. S. Bonds	100 00		100 00	2 50	2 1/2	2 50	2 50	2 50
2/14/1890	School & Ministerial	N. H. Sav. Bank	1,300 00		1,300 00	39 58	3	39 58	39 58	39 58





DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Jan. 11, 1956

Board of Selectmen  
Harrisville, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Harrisville for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1955, which was made by this division in accordance with the vote of the town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Library Treasurer and Trustees of Trust Funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS DECEMBER 31, 1954 — DECEMBER 31, 1955:

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1954 and December 31, 1955. As indicated therein, the net debt increased by \$4,846.31 during 1955.

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION:

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the town during the year in Exhibit B with the factors which caused the change therein. These were as follows:

INCREASE IN NET DEBT

Long term notes issued	\$9,600 00
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DECREASES IN NET DEBT

Net budget surplus	\$2,656 77
Long term note paid	2,000 00
Increase in accounts receivable	92 82
Excess reimbursement from state a/c bounties	4 10
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	\$4,753 69
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Net Increase	\$4,846 31

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUES:

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1955, are presented in Exhibits C and D. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit D), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$2,250.09, plus a net revenue surplus of \$406.68, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$2,656.77.

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES:

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1955, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit E. Proof of the treasurer's balance, as of December 31, 1955 is indicated in Exhibit F.

## AUDIT PROCEDURE:

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks.

## CONCLUSION:

The accounts and records of all town officials which we examined were found in good condition and the accounting procedure conformed to the uniform system prescribed by this division.

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the town.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Harrisville for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

ALAN R. MATTHEWS, Auditor

HUGH J. CASSIDY, Accountant

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
January 11, 1956

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Harrisville for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1955, and found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the town on December 31, 1955, and the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,  
HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

ALAN R. MATTHEWS, Auditor  
HUGH J. CASSIDY, Accountant

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REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

With the \$750.00 voted under Article 9 of last year's Town Warrant, 1800 feet of the MacVeagh Road was widened, starting at Seaver's four corners. Approximately \$100.00 was spent for blasting a ditch through the swamp to the brook. The balance of the money was expended for the use of a power shovel and for graveling. However, the long haul for the gravel used up the money fast and there wasn't enough to properly gravel the road.

The Silver Lake Extension of 900 feet was completed.

The road bypassing the Harrisville Beach has been roughed out and some gravel drawn. Due to the cooperation and generosity of Mr. Gilman and Mr. Colony, the Town will have a safer and larger beach for the children.

The Town Garage is coming along nicely. However, it still needs a concrete floor, doors, wiring and heat.

Two and one-half miles of the Eastview Road has been blacktopped. This is a great improvement.

By careful planning, one-half mile between Willard's Hill and Howe's driveway was widened and tarred although no money was appropriated for this.

Respectfully submitted,  
ARTHUR W. WIKMAN  
Road Agent

## REPORT OF OLD HOME DAY

Mary Clark, for prizes	\$14 00	
Harold Pope, post cards	3 00	
Bate's, dance tags	2 40	
Fireworks	50 00	
Tyler, band	40 00	
D. Laughman, orchestra	40 00	
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		\$149 40
Balance		60
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		\$150 00
Mrs. Heald		\$5 00
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Total		\$155 00

The bal. of \$.60 was used for checks—10c each.

Fireworks money was donated by the business men, and we gave a check for convenience.

### Total expenses of the \$50.00

Dance	\$26 60	
Fireworks fund	25 00	
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		\$51 60
Costumes	\$6 00	
Soda	3 80	
Telephone	5 00	
Cards	2 00	
Janitor	5 00	
Presents for old people	3 75	
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		\$25 55
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Balance		\$26 05

### Dance

Supper	\$44 60	
Supper fund	25 00	
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Total		\$69 60

### Supper

Rolls	\$6 25
Telephone	5 00
Relishes	2 85
Printing	3 75

Postcards	2 00	
Posters	60	
Total		\$20 45
Balance		\$49 15
We gave to Minister	\$25 00	
Priest	50 00	
Total		\$75 00
	ANDREW R. ELDER	
	Chairman	

## REPORT OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. FOR 1955

### Station No. 2 Chesham

- 1—1935 Ford V-8 truck with 200 gal. pumper.
- 1—108 gal. booster and other necessary equipment.
- In 1955 there were 5 new tires and tubes put on the fire truck.
- 1—new battery for V-8 truck.
- 1—Blackboard 2 ft. high by 3 ft. wide.
- 1—Length of 1½ inch treated hose 50 ft. long.
- 1—Hydrant wrench.

Respectfully submitted

LEONDER J. ST. PETER

Chief of Harrisville Fire Dept.

JUSTIN CHAMBERLAIN

Deputy Chief of Station No. 2

### Report of Station No. 1 of Harrisville

- 1—1950 Dodge 2 ton truck.
- 1—300 gal. booster tank and other necessary equipment.
- In 1955 there were 1—Type Y. portable pump and 2—10 ft. lengths of suction hose with strainer.
- 1—Length of 1½ inch treated hose 50 ft. long.
- 1—Blackboard 2 ft. high by 3 ft. wide.

Respectfully submitted,

LEONDER J. ST. PETER

Chief of Harrisville Fire Dept.

### Number of Fires in Harrisville and Chesham for year 1955

- 2—Chimney fires in Chesham.
- Called out 14 times to dump to put out fires.
- 1—Wood fire.
- 2—Grass fires, one of these was in Dublin.
- Total of fires — 19

## Report of Harrisville Forest Fire Department for 1955

1—1929 Ford Model A one ton truck.

1—Pacific Marine Pump with 1½ inch fitting with pump carrier. Also forest fire equipment necessary for forest fires.

Fires In Forest Dept.

2—Grass fires

1—Wood fire

14—Dump fires

There were 212 fire permits issued for the year 1955.

Respectfully submitted.

LEONDER J. ST. PETER

State Forest Fire Warden

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### LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS

Bal. in bank, Jan. 1, 1955	\$9 09	-
Cash as of Jan. 1, 1955	9 47	
Town appropriations — May 1, 1955	75 00	
June 17, 1955	75 00	
Oct. 1, 1955	50 00	
Dec. 19, 1955	100 00	
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	\$318 56	

#### EXPENDITURES

Books	\$102 69	
Magazines	36 96	
Librarian's salary	104 00	
Janitor	52 00	
R. Mackey, cleaning	12 00	
Checks	2 50	
Postage	80	
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Total	\$310 95	
Bal. in bank, Dec. 31, 1955	09	
Cash as of Dec. 31, 1955	7 52	
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	\$318 56	

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Harrisville Library has added more than a hundred books this year. Most of them are new books, but some were donations from the Hancock Library and from Mrs. O'Brien. We are thankful for these gifts. The committee finds it can buy books at a greater advantage to all, by getting them through Goodman's Book Store in Manchester and our last order was placed with them.

The library wishes to acknowledge the gift of a new American flag donated by Mrs. Marion Orlando, in memory of her husband who was killed in World War II. This flag was first flown from the library grounds on Memorial Day of this year.

During the winter months, when the librarian was away, Mrs. John St. Peter served as librarian. The book mobile has visited us regularly and we appreciate this service and the cooperation of Mr. Maurier and his driver.

The circulation in 1955 was non-fiction 563, fiction 328 and juvenile 376, with 31 adult borrowers and 23 juvenile.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. THAYER

Librarian



# SCHOOL WARRANT

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**To the inhabitants of the school district of Harrisville qualified to vote in school district affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at The Wells Memorial School in said district on the 1st day of March 1956 to act upon the following subjects: To bring in your votes for the election of the following officers:

1. A moderator for the coming year.  
A clerk for the coming year.  
A member of the school board for the ensuing three years.  
A treasurer for the coming year.

Polls open at 3 p. m. March 1, 1956 and close not later than 9 p. m.

You are hereby further notified to meet at 7:30 p. m. on March 1, 1956 at The Wells Memorial School to act upon the following subjects:

2. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and to fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

3. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in the warrant.

5. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officers, auditors and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of any sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

6. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for payment of additional light, heat and janitor services, so that public community groups may use the building at no charge, or to make any recommendations relative to after-school use of the building.

7. To see whether the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) for the purchase of a rider-type power driven lawn mower, or take any action thereto.

8. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) for the purchase of insurance covering vandalism damage to school property.

Given under our hands at said Harrisville this 19th day of January 1956.

FREDERICK DAVIS  
MARJORIE COLONY  
WILLIAM BEMIS

School Board

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

FREDERICK DAVIS  
MARJORIE COLONY  
WILLIAM BEMIS

### MINUTES SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING HARRISVILLE, THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1955

Officers and Clerks at the meeting were: William Bemis, Marjorie Colony, Frederick Davis, Helen Spaulding, Virginia Bates and Jessie Hope.

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p. m. by the Clerk of the School District in the absence of the Moderator and the warrant was read.

Ralph Bemis was elected to serve as Moderator for the day and he took oath.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator, Clerk, Member of School Board for three years, and a Treasurer started and continued by Australian Ballot until the close of the meeting.

Article 2. was read at 7:50 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Colony made the motion to accept article 2 as printed in the budget. Vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 3. All reports were accepted.

Article 4. Voted to have two auditors, one to be Guy Thayer and the other to be chosen by the School Board.

Article 5. Mr. William Bemis moved that the School District raise \$39,175 and to authorize and direct the school board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the school board exclusive of state aid, and upon the determination of the amount of state aid to be received by the school district during the next fiscal year, to authorize and

direct the school board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from state aid and with the school district clerk certify to the selectmen the balance as an assessment to be raised by the town for school purposes. The motion was seconded and the vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

Article 6. Motion was made by Mrs. Colony that the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 as an additional appropriation to be made available prior to June 30, 1955 to meet additional costs of transportation, tuition and bonded indebtedness in excess of the current budget. Vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

Other business. Motion was made by Mr. Lavigne to have the School District Clerk authorized to request the Town Clerk for school records to turn over to Supt. Bowlby. Vote was in the affirmative.

Motion was made to hold the next school district meeting the week previous to Town Meeting. Vote was in the affirmative.

At 8:50 o'clock p. m. motion was made to close the polls. 49 votes had been cast. The following officers were declared elected and were qualified: Moderator, Casper Bemis; District Clerk, Helen Spaulding; District Treasurer, Virginia Bates; Member of School Board for 3 years, William Bemis.

(Attest) HELEN H. SPAULDING  
Clerk

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## HARRISVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT DIRECTORY

1955-56

### SCHOOL BOARD

Frederick Davis, chairman	Term expires
Mrs. Marjorie Colony	March 1956
Mr. William Bemis	March 1957
Dr. Charles L. Bowlby, Supt. of schools	March 1958

### SCHOOL STAFF

Mrs. Jessie Bosworth	Cafeteria Mgr.
Miss Ruth Lamb	Art
Mrs. Gladys Libby	Primary grades
Dr. Samuel Paul	School physician

Mrs. Elva Rawding  
Mrs. Marian Sabin  
Mr. Curtis Silver  
Mrs. Marion Warner, R.N.  
Mr. Richard Wyman

Special reading  
Intermediate grades  
Custodian  
School Nurse  
Principal, upper grades

#### DISTRICT OFFICERS

Virginia Bates  
Casper Bemis  
Charles Bergeron  
Helen Spaulding  
Guy Thayer

Treasurer  
Moderator  
Auditor  
Clerk  
Auditor

**COMPARATIVE BUDGETS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
HARRISVILLE, 1954-1956**

	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
<b>Administration:</b>			
Salaries of district officers	\$240 00	\$295 00	\$260 00
Supt's salary	395 20	599 00	494 00
Tax for state supervision	158 00	170 00	170 00
Salaries of Administrative personnel	223 00	250 00	261 00
Supplies and expenses	536 52	250 00	278 00
<b>Instruction:</b>			
Salaries	10,634 11	10,940 00	11,400 00
Books, instructional aids	304 86	250 00	500 00
Scholars supplies	793 79	700 00	700 00
Supplies and other expenses	361 65	300 00	300 00
<b>Operation of school plant:</b>			
Salaries of custodians	1,988 20	2,050 00	2,050 00
Fuel and heat	987 19	700 00	800 00
Water, light, janitor supplies	1,127 68	800 00	1,100 00
<b>Maintenance of school plant</b>			
Repairs and replacements	161 89	275 00	50 00
<b>Auxiliary activities:</b>			
Health supervision	290 42	300 00	300 00
Transportation, high	1,608 64	1,600 00	2,000 00
Transportation, elem.	3,400 00	3,400 00	3,900 00
Tuition, high	7,156 04	8,500 00	8,950 00
School lunch, fed. and dist. funds	1,620 46	900 00	1,100 00
<b>Fixed charges:</b>			
Retirement	538 09	763 00	794 00
Insurance	381 05	353 00	380 00
<b>Current Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$32,901 79</b>	<b>\$33,395 00</b>	<b>\$35,797 00</b>
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
Lands and new buildings		150 00	50 00
Additions and improvements	1,833 20	100 00	50 00
New equipment	176 20	100 00	100 00
<b>Debt and Interest:</b>			
Principal of debt	5,000 00	5,000 00	5,000 00
Interest on debt	530 00	430 00	330 00
<b>Deficiency Appropriation:</b>		<b>500 00</b>	
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$40,441 19</b>	<b>\$39,675 00</b>	<b>\$41,327 00</b>

**RECEIPTS**

State aid		\$1,000 00
Total Receipts		\$1,000 00
District Assessment	\$39,675 00	\$40,327 00

## ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET 1956 TO 1957

Administration:	
Salaries of district officers	\$260 00
Board chairman, \$75; District treas. \$75	
Clerk, \$5; Board sec'y \$35; Moderator \$5; Auditor \$30; Board member \$35	
Superintendent's salary (local share)	494 00
Tax for statewide supervision (\$2 per pupil)	170 00
Salaries of administrative personnel (supt's clerk) Census	261 00
Supplies and exp. of administration (Postage, tel., eqpt., supplies, supt's office supt's travel allowance)	278 00
Instruction:	
Elementary teachers salaries	\$11,400 00
Books and inst. aids, elem. school	500 00
Scholars' supplies, elem.	700 00
Supplies and other exp., elem. (Graduation costs, ref. books, work books)	300 00
Operation of School Plant:	
Salaries of janitors, elem.	\$2,050 00
Fuel and heat, elem.	800 00
Water, light, janitors sup., elem. (Soap, toilet paper, hand towels, floor wax, etc.)	1,100 00
Maintenance of School plant:	
Repairs and replacements, elem.	\$50 00
Auxiliary Activities:	
Health supervision, elem.	\$300 00
Transportation, high	2,000 00
Transportation, elem.	3,900 00
Tuition, high	8,960 00
Special activities, (athletics, lunch program)	1,100 00
Fixed Charges:	
Teachers' retirement	\$794 00
Insurance	380 00
Total Current Expenses	<hr/> \$35,797 00
Capital Outlay:	
Lands and new buildings, elem.	\$50 00
Additions and improvements	50 00
New equipment	100 00

Debt and Interest:	
Principal of debt	\$5,000 00
Interest of debt	330 00
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Total School Expenditure	\$41,327 00
Estimated Receipts:	
State aid	\$1,000 00
Total Receipts, other than property tax	\$1,000 00
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Amount to be raised by District Assessment	\$40,327 00

#### Special Appropriations:

1. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for payment of additional costs of light, heat and janitor services, so that public community groups may use the building at no charge, or to make any recommendations relative to after school use of the building.

2. To see whether the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) for the purchase of a rider-type power driven lawn mower.

3. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) for the purchase of insurance covering vandalism damage to school property.

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE HARRISVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1954  
and Ending June 30, 1955

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

CHARLES L. BOWLBY  
Superintendent  
FREDERICK D. DAVIS  
WILLIAM F. BEMIS  
MARJORIE P. COLONY

July 8, 1955

## RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:		
National school lunch and special milk		\$482 95
Local Taxation:		
Current appropriation	\$33,085 00	
Special appropriation	500 00	
Advance on next year's appropriation	1,500 00	
Total		\$35,085 00
Other Sources:		
Elementary school tuitions	\$750 00	
Trust funds	19 95	
Other	4,072 58	
Total		\$4,842 53
Total net receipts from all sources		\$40,410 48
Cash on hand July 1, 1954		41 25
Grand Total Net Receipts		\$40,451 73

## EXPENDITURES

Administration:		
Salaries of district officers		\$240 00
Supt's salary		395 20
Tax for state supervision		158 00
Salaries of administrative personnel		223 00
Supplies and expenses		536 52



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Health supervision	\$290 42
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Tuition	7,156 04
Special activities	1,620 46
Fixed Charges:	
Retirement	\$538 09
Insurance	381 05
Current Operating Expense	\$32,901 79
Capital Outlay:	
Additional and improvements to buildings	\$1,833 20
New equipment	176 20
Debt and Interest:	
Principal of debt	\$5,000 00
Interest on debt	530 00
Total Net Payments for All Purposes	\$40,441 19
Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	10 54
Grand Total Net Payments	\$40,451 73

## BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1955

### ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	\$10 54
Total Assets	\$10 54
Net Debt (excess of liabilities over assets)	\$26,122 05
Grand Total	\$26,132 59

### LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by district	\$632 59
Advance on 55-56 appropriation	1,500 00
Notes and bonds outstanding	24,000 00
Grand Total	\$26,132 59

# REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955

## SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1954		\$41 25
Current appropriation	\$33,085 00	
Special appropriations	500 00	
Advance on next year's appropriation	1,500 00	
Received from State Treasurer:		
State funds	482 95	
Received from tuition	750 00	
Received as income from trust funds	19 95	
Received from all other sources	4,072 58	
Total Receipts		<u>\$40,410 48</u>
Total amount available for fiscal year		
(Balance and receipts)		\$40,451 73
Less school board orders paid		<u>\$40,441 19</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1955		\$10 54

July 7, 1955

VIRGINIA T. BATES

District Treasurer

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Harrisville of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

GUY W. THAYER

CHARLES M. BERGERON

Auditors

August 11, 1955

## HARRISVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

1955-1956

\$48,000 — 2% bonds dated August 1, 1949

Paid to date . . . . . \$29,000 (August 1, 1955)

Bonds outstanding . . . . . \$19,000

Due	Outstanding	Principal	Interest	Total
Aug. 1, 1956	\$19,000	\$5,000	\$190	\$5,190
Feb. 1, 1957	14,000		140	140
Aug. 1, 1957	14,000	5,000	140	5,140
Feb. 1, 1958	9,000		90	90
Aug. 1, 1958	9,000	5,000	90	5,090
Feb. 1, 1959	4,000		40	40
Aug. 1, 1959	4,000	4,000	40	4,040

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Despite the growing scarcity of teachers and the loss of teachers to states where salaries are higher, Harrisville has been able to retain an exceptionally capable staff over a relatively long period of time. The advantages of retaining an experienced staff are numerous and only a few can be mentioned here. First, the teachers can plan and carry on a co-ordinated program of studies with no unnecessary overlapping of subject matter. Secondly, the teachers become well acquainted with the abilities, interests, and needs of their pupils and can better adjust instruction to these pupil needs and requirements. Finally, pupils, teachers and parents come to know, understand, and appreciate the contribution of each to the over-all program of education. Good working conditions, fair salary increases and community appreciation for its teachers have been important factors in keeping our teachers with us from year to year.

The organization of the local parent-teacher group prestiges well for community-school relations in Harrisville and affords parents and teachers an opportunity for mutual discussion and solution of school problems.

For the first time in many years it seems probable that Harrisville will receive some state aid. The amount will be about one thousand dollars and it must be used in paying off the bonded indebtedness on the school building. Little as the sum is, it represents the first recognition by the state legislature that local school districts require school construction funds.

There is every reason for the people of Harrisville to feel that their school is as good as the best small schools in this state; that the community is getting full value for its educational dollar and that the children are receiving a sound, well balanced basic education.

CHARLES L. BOWLBY  
Superintendent

## SCHOOL CENSUS

September 1955

Age	Total	Boys	Girls	Local School	School out of Dist.
less than 1 year	7	2	5		
1	9	5	4		
2	8	5	3		
3	9	4	5		
4	7	2	5		
5	8	5	3	3	
6	14	8	6	14	
7	9	5	4	9	
8	15	11	4	15	
9	8	3	5	8	
10	8	6	2	8	
11	6	2	4	6	
12	7	1	6	7	
13	3	0	3	2	1
14	6	3	3	1	5
15	7	3	4	0	6
16	7	4	3	0	7
17	8	6	2	0	1
18	5	0	5	0	0
Total	151	75	76	73	20

## REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

Again it becomes my pleasure to present my annual report on affairs at the Wells Memorial School and its program.

The whole educational program at the school was enriched this year through the availability of a motion picture projector. This machine was presented to the school by a parent who wishes to remain anonymous. All school subjects take on an added meaning when visual aids such as this are employed.

The music program this year was under the direction of the regular staff members, all of whom are familiar with music and able to teach it without the help of a music supervisor. The traditional Christmas operetta this year was entitled "Christman Fun in '91." All pupils in the school participated and appreciated the encouragement received from the large audience which attended. Despite the hard work involved, it is a pleasure for the teachers to see the cooperative spirit exhibited by pupils and their parents;—a condition which makes a production of this type possible. The staff wishes to thank all who so generously assisted.

The Wells Parents-Teachers Association is a long awaited realization. The group has been active and has accomplished several projects already. The gift of an additional table for the lunchroom was appreciated by all. The staff looks forward to the opportunity of working with this interested and cooperative parent group.

The pupils continue to benefit from the training provided by the supervisors of art and reading, services which are seldom found in the small school but which we are able to share with other schools in this supervisory union.

One of the advantages of the small school, where each teacher has more than one grade under her instruction, is the opportunity provided for able pupils to advance more rapidly in accordance with their ability. Again this year with parental approval, we moved a group of able pupils into a more advanced grade, with the belief that the group could accomplish the work of two grades in one year. The results to date have justified the belief that pupils work better when challenged by their work and the competition of other able pupils.

We continue to enjoy the benefits of a capably operated lunch program and have used this program to stimulate the learning situation. This has been accomplished through many means, one of which has been to have special lunch programs. This year, we had a "Bible Day" program where pupils and staff dressed up in Bible costumes and food common to early Christian days was served. Such programs add zest to all school

activities and clearly indicate the importance of our hot lunch program to school life. We invite all parents to visit one of these special dinner events.

It is gratifying that so many parents have taken the time to come to school to see what we are doing and to meet the staff. We appreciate these visits and feel that a better understanding of the educational work of the school results from them and helps us to continue to improve.

Sincerely,

RICHARD W. WYMAN

Principal Wells Memorial School

# VITAL STATISTICS

## BIRTHS

DATE	PLACE	NAME	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME
Mar. 13	Keene	George Melvin, Jr.	George Kendall, Sr.	Charlotte Derby
Mar. 11	Keene	Lari Alexis	Alexis Bartashevich	Elizabeth Seuss
Mar. 21	Keene	Julie Ann	Arnold Baldwin	Ida Lussier
April 23	Keene	Joan Carol	John A. Colburn	Jorgia Carr
Aug. 5	Keene	Carolyn Jeanne	Sterling Chamberlain	Dolores Petitpas
Aug. 5	Keene	Brian Frederick	Frederick Davis	Estelle Parenteau
Sept. 13	Keene	Richard Allen	Francis Butterfield	Dorothy Darby
Oct. 21	Keene	Ronald Alfred	Philip Trudelle	Corinne Keough
Nov. 8	Keene	Douglas Michael	Leo Paul Dion	Calombe Parenteau
Dec. 6	Keene	Charlene Frances	Charles Swasey	Dora Williams

## MARRIAGES

DATE	PLACE	NAME	RESIDENCE
July 9	Keene	Paul Trudelle Marion Lynch	Harrisville Keene
Aug. 27	Newton Lower Falls, Mass.	Francis B. Russell Cecilla Hollis	Chesham Wellesley, Mass.
Sept. 17	Chesham	Paul Olson, Jr. Elizabeth Mattila	Collinsville, Conn. Hartford, Conn.
Dec. 29	Keene	Warren Wood Joyce Chamberlain	Derry Chesham

## DEATHS

DATE	PLACE	NAME	AGE
Feb. 15	Keene	Albert J. Upton	79
	Burial here		
Feb. 21	Harrisville	Edson H. Hazen	77
March 7	Keene	Lida Mae Croteau	65
	Burial here		
March 8	Winchester	James Partridge	82
	Burial here		
March 20	Keene	Harriet G. Knowlton	72
	Burial here		
March 22	Keene	Edmond J. Gaillardetz	86
	Burial here		
April 1	Peterborough	Clifford A. Brown	64
	Burial here		
April 14	Peterborough	Oren Lovell Farwell	72
	Burial here		
April 29	White River Junction	Eugene A. Filiault	59
	Burial Marlboro		
May 2	Keene	Helen J. Morton	80
	Burial here		
May 27	Harrisville	Mary E. McCabe	88
June 1	Harrisville	Eleanor Parish	75
June 9	Harrisville	Axel T. Blomgren	71
Sept. 25	Northampton, Mass.	Eleanor Winn	83
Nov. 19	Harrisville	Mary G. Armitage	87
Nov. 26	Keene	Ernest R. Knowlton	74
	Burial here		
Dec. 12	Peterborough	Morris Bergeron	49
Dec. 28	Harrisville	Martha S. Ball	87
Dec. 28	Keene	Evangeline LaPoint	73











